

I represent a small Regional ISP in the State of Utah. We provide a number of services that compete with our local LEC Qwest. I have contacted the Utah State Public Service Commission to complain about anti-competitive practices of Qwest. Particularly, I recently spoke with them over Qwest's anti-competitive offerings in DSL. They said they had no jurisdiction and that I would have to talk to the FCC. I then contacted the FCC on these issues with no success or follow-up from the FCC. I believe that it was the original intent of congress in 1996 to help stimulate public policies and laws to assist companies like mine to bring better telco/data services to the US public and to stop monopolistic and anticompetitive behaviors of the LECs. However, I know feel like those intentions are being circumvented by cleaver lobbyists and attorneys. Qwest has two products that they offer right now (DSL Home Bundle and n X T-1) that seem so blatantly anti-competitive and monopolistic that I have been truly surprised at the lack of State and Federal intervention. My company has been in business for 10 years but I don't expect to be around that much longer unless something is done to stop Qwest and other LECs from taking advantage of their regulatory and non-regulatory status.